



THE PARKS REPORT

A Monthly Summary of Birmingham's System of Parks & Recreation Facilities

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"City parks serve, day in and day out, as the primary green spaces for the majority of Americans."

— Bruce Babbitt



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Amaree Alexander,
Lanique Parnell,
Coach Stephen Sewell,
Kimberly Johnson,
Cameron Johnson,
Khelyan Wren,
Carlos Sanders,
Kameron Sanders,
Kamarion Hayes,
Olivia Osborne,
Kamarion Hayes,
Madison Thomas,
Brendan Thomas,
William Osborne.

Winning On Dry Land, Too

There is no doubt that the Birmingham Park and Recreation (BPR) Piranhas, a swim team of talented kids, are willing to go the extra lap to be winners in the pool—their numerous awards attest to it. However, the real measure of success shows in their efforts at home, in school, and as peer-leaders in the community.

"As a team, before they dip one toe in the water, our kids commit to being better people outside of the pool," said Stephen Sewell, BPR swim coach.

Interested in joining the team? Call 205-222-3172.



**Share Your
Story About A
Park You
Love**

#GetOutside

Birmingham Park and Recreation venues offer rental space for seminars, weddings, parties, workshops and other activities...

VENUE:

Botanical Gardens
Recreation + Sports Facilities
Open Park Reservations

JULY REVENUE:

\$12,301.50
\$18,445.00
\$10,110.00



Revenue from reservations in July 2021 totaled \$40,856.50



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The Best of Friends

When Neal Flum, president of Friends of Avondale Park, isn't out walking Lucy (left) and Olive around the neighborhood, he can be found leading a group of dedicated neighborhood volunteers in a monthly cleanup of the park or welcoming visitors to cultural arts events at the park's amphitheater. All to make Avondale Park a more integral part of the community.

Does your favorite park have its own group of friends? Talk to Neal.



UPCOMING @ LEGION FIELD

- 8/20 - Ramsay v Bessemer City, 7pm
- 8/21 - MGB Culture & Community Fest, 12pm - 10pm
- 9/2 - Ramsay v Wenonah, 7pm
- 9/10 - Ramsay v Parker, 7pm

All times CT. Subject to change.

July Parks Maintenance Report

Baseball Fields at **Cooper Green**, **George Ward** and **Ensley** were cut, cleared of debris and prepped for upcoming softball and kickball play; football fields at **East Lake**, **Wylam** and **Ensley** were cut and prepared for little league play; cleaned 3,120.78 acres of parks and green space; cut 759.32 acres of grass; removed 1,956 bags of litter from parks and green space; delivered 2,598 tons of debris to the landfill; installed a gate at **Lowery Park**; electricians repaired lights at **Legion Field Stadium**, **Avondale**, **West Brownville**, **Birmingham Botanical Gardens**, **Fountain Heights**, **Martin Luther King, Jr.**, and **Pine Knoll** parks; HVAC crew repaired units at **Legion Field Stadium**, **Memorial**, **East Pinson Valley**, **Fountain Heights**, **George Ward Tennis Shop**, **One Pratt**, **Hooper City**, **Willow Wood**, **Wiggins**, **Dolomite Community Center**, **Boswell-Highland Golf Course** and **Avondale Villa**; plumbers made repairs at the **Birmingham Botanical Gardens**, **East Pinson Valley**, **Central Park**, **East Lake**, **George Ward**, **Crestwood** pool, **McAlpine** pool, **Memorial** pool and **East Lake** pool—staff continues backflow tests; carpenters repaired locks at **Maclin**, **East Pinson Valley**, **Avondale**, **East Lake**, **Memorial** and **Legion Field Stadium**; staff pressure washed **Legion Field Stadium**, **East Lake** and **W.C. Patton**; maintenance crews replaced flags at **East Lake**, cleaned drains at **East Pinson Valley**, repaired playground equipment at **Martin Luther King, Jr.** and **Rozelle Reynolds**, and replaced ceiling tiles at **McAlpine** and **Legion Field Stadium**, just to mention some of the work done by our service-minded staff. **YOU ARE APPRECIATED!**



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Steve McGlothlin, painter, prepares for the upcoming 2021 football season by applying a fresh coat of paint to the Old Gray Lady. McGlothlin serves as one of four painters under Charles Brundidge, facility manager.